

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1208 - SB 1320

March 1, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a county election commission to consolidate one or more polling places, from one or more precincts, within the limits of the municipality for a municipal election not held in conjunction with another election.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Expenditures – \$15,100/Per Municipal Election Per County

Assumptions:

- Authorizing the consolidation of polling places would result in a decrease in local expenditures.
- The number of county election commissions choosing to consolidate polling places, the number of places consolidated, and the timing of consolidation cannot be reasonably determined.
- According to the Division of Elections, the General Assembly authorized seven county election commissions to designate a polling place outside the precinct it was to serve, but within the limits of the municipality, with enactment of Public Act 2012, Public Chapter 455. The enacted legislation provided estimated total savings of \$105,430 per election, thus average savings of \$15,061 (\$105,430 / 7 counties) per county.
- The decrease in local government expenditures as a result of this bill for each municipal election is reasonably estimated to be \$15,061 per county.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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